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In re Application of  
Halseth et al  
Serial No.: 09/633,793  
Filed: August 7, 2000  
For: Fluid Sampling Device with Retractable:  
Needle


DECISION PETITION

This is in response to applicants' petition filed May 2, 2002, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(c), based on the merits as it relates HIV/AIDS.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, X. Therefore the petition is **GRANTED**.

**The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.**

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